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**Subject:** Fw: West Basin Municipal Water District\_Request for Inclusion of Ocean Water Desalination Sites

fyi..Today the Governor declared and Emergency California Water Shortage. The Southern California proponents for seawater desalination have asked how the MLPA will not interfere or limit future potential desal sites. Several Coastal Water Agencies in key areas of large coastal urban populations are studying the best location that will be the least impacting on the environment. Consideration needs to be given on how these essential coastal dependent water supply entities will be able to move forward and not be limited by an MLPA. Is there a possibility for an exemption for essential public services such as water supply?

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MJ: Here is what I sent to the MLPA Group. Feel free to distribute this to the MWD desal working group.

Thank you,

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**Subject:** West Basin Municipal Water District\_Request for Inclusion of Ocean Water Desalination Sites

Mr. Wiseman: Thank you for the opportunity to provide our input into the MLPA process. Attached is a letter requesting your consideration of excluding protection areas within and adjacent to our existing ocean water desalination pilot project and future demonstration and full-scale facilities. Please contact me should you have any questions.

Thank you,

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